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BRUSSELS FOR AMBASSADOR STEVENSON; DAR ES SALAAM FOR
MR. MOORE

E.O. 11652:DGS

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SUBJECT: LOS NEGOTIATIONS WITH MONACO

1. ADM. MORRIS (DOD) AND MESSRS. WULF (NSF) AND HULL
(STATE) MET THURSDAY WITH MONEGASQUE MINISTER OF STATE
ANDRE SAINT MLEUX AND REPRESENTATIVE TO LOS CONFERENCE
JEAN RAIMBERT. SAINT MLEUX, A FRENCHMAN, SPOKE OF
MONACO'S INTEREST IN ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AND IN
BASING IN MONACO INTERNATIONAL BODIES CREATED BY LOS
CONFERENCE. LOS TEAM EMPHASIZED IMPORTANCE OF
SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH IN SOLVING ENVIRONMENTAL PROBLEM
AND SUGGESTED THAT MONACO MIGHT WELL PLAY LEADING ROLE
IN ADVANCING SCIENCE ISSUE AT LOS CONFERENCE IN VIEW OF
MONACO'S ILLUSTRIOUS HISTORY IN OCEANOGRAPHY. SAINT
MLEUX ACKNOWLEDGED MONACO'S HERITAGE IN MARINE SCIENCE
BUT WAS NONCOMMITTAL REGARDING ROLE IN LOS.

2. MEETING WITH DEPUTY DIRECTOR ALENAT OF FRENCH OCEAN-
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OGRAPHY MUSEUM REVEALED AWARENESS OF THREAT THAT CONSENT

REGIME PRESENTS TO SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH. MUSEUM, HOWEVER, MAY BE LESS CONCERNED THAN MIGHT BE EXPECTED SINCE IT IS NOT VIEWED INTERNATIONALLY AS AN ORGAN OF THE FRENCH STATE. CONSENT IS THEREFORE GENERALLY GRANTED WITHOUT DIFFICULTY, ALTHOUGH MUSEUM HAS RECENTLY BEGUN TO HAVE PROBLEMS.

3. LENGTHY MEETINGS WITH ADMIRALS RITCHIE AND TISON AND COMMODORE KAPOOR OF INTERNATIONAL HYDROGRAPHIC ORGANIZATION ALSO REVEALED AWARENESS OF SCIENTIFIC PROBLEM BUT IHO HESITANCY TO TAKE ACTION WHICH MIGHT BE CONSTRUED AS POLITICAL. LOS TEAM STRONGLY SUGGESTED THAT IHO ENCOURAGE SCIENTIFIC REPRESENTATION IN CARACAS AND SPEAK AT LOS SESSION OF IMPORTANCE AND NEEDS OF HYDROGRAPHY. IHO MEMBERS SEEMED FAVORABLY DISPOSED AND AGREED TO CONSIDER SUGGESTION.

4. UNLESS OBJECTION FROM AMB. STEVENSON OR MR. MOORE PARIS EMBASSY WILL EARLY NEXT WEEK INFORM FRENCH LOS REPRESENTATIVE JEANNEL OF SUBSTANCE OF LOS TEAM'S MONACO DELIBERATIONS. SAINT MLEUX WILL UNDOUBTEDLY HAVE ALREADY INFORMED JEANNEL. EMBASSY WILL EMPHASIZE IN LOW KEY WAY THAT TRIP WAS PART OF US LOS INITIATIVE TO SPEAK TO AS MANY NATIONS AS POSSIBLE PRIOR TO LOS CONFERENCE AND TO ENCOURAGE GREATER LOS PARTICIPATION. IRWIN

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